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1. GOOD PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON PROGRAMMING FIRST GROUP AND ASSIGNMENTS ON THOSE WHICH RECEIVED HIGHEST LANGUAGE SCORES WILL BE MADE IN NEAR FUTURE. DEPARTMENT WILL CABLE ASSIGNMENTS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE TO FACILITATE CONACYT SENDING NECESSARY FUNDING IN TIME FOR PARTICIPANTS TO TRAVEL. PROGRAMMING PRIORITY BEING GIVEN TO THOSE WHICH SCORED HIGHEST ON LANGUAGE TESTS.

2. FIRST GROUP SHOWED WIDE DIVERGENCE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY RANGING FROM A SCORE OF 3 TO 97. AID CONSIDERS SCORES BELOW 60 ON USAGE AND 50 ON LISTENING AS TOO LOW TO CALL FORWARD. AS NEARLY HALF OF THE GROUP FELL INTO THIS CATEGORY, WE BELIEVE THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR TESTING IN MEXICO PRIOR TO ISSUING INVITATION WILL HAVE TO BE MADE IN FUTURE CASES AND WOULD LIKE EMBASSY REACTION TO FEASIBILITY OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT WITH USIS FOR GIVING LANGUAGE TEST AT BINATIONAL CENTER. ROGERS

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